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Summary: The Fulbright Program is the nation's international education exchange program.

(August 11, 2010)-The United States Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs awarded Marisol Reyes, professor in International Relations and Humanities at the Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey in Querétaro, Mexico, a Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence Fellowship to teach at the University of Minnesota, Morris during 2010 fall semester.

The Fulbright Program is the nation's international education exchange program. It is designed to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and people of other countries. Chosen for academic merit and leadership potential, participants are afforded the opportunity to study, teach, conduct research, exchange ideas, and contribute to finding solutions to shared international concerns.

"Hosting a Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence at the University of Minnesota, Morris reflects our campus mission to provide an undergraduate liberal arts education that prepares our students to be global citizens, civically engaged, and interculturally competent," says Cheryl Contant, vice chancellor for academic affairs and dean. "We look forward to a mutually energizing intellectual experience with Morris's first Fulbright Scholar, Dr. Reyes."

At Morris, Reyes will teach two courses. Hispanic Film, taught in Spanish, will allow her the opportunity to interact with Spanish majors. Leftist Regimes in Contemporary Latin America, an area of Reyes's scholarly expertise, taught in English, is a course for Latin American area studies and political science majors. In Querétaro, Reyes teaches Latin American Studies, Comparative Foreign Affairs, European Studies, and Quantitative Methods in Social Sciences.

As a Mexican Ministry of Education Scholar, Reyes earned a doctorate in political behavior at Essex University in Essex, United Kingdom. She completed a masters of arts in Latin American studies at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., and a bachelor of arts in International Relations at Universidad Nacional Autónoma in Mexico City.

Reyes has arrived in Morris and begins her teaching responsibilities at the University of Minnesota, Morris on August 25, 2010. She will also engage in various outreach activities and public presentations at the University and in the community.

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